

## Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code  
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

2007

Open to Public  
InspectionDepartment of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service(7)▶ The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.  
2007, and ending

## A For the 2007 calendar year, or tax year beginning

B Check if applicable:

☐ Address change  
☐ Name change  
☐ Initial return  
☐ Termination  
☐ Amended return  
☐ Application pending

**C** CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION  
171 SECOND STREET #300  
SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105

**D** Employer Identification Number  
04-3585301

**E** Telephone number  
(415) 369-8480

**F** Accounting method: ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual  
Other (specify) ▶

• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

## G Web site: ▶ WWW.CREATIVECOMMONS.ORG

## J Organization type

(check only one) ☒ 501(c) ☐ 3 (insert no.) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

**K** Check here ☐ if the organization is not a 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.

H and I are not applicable to section 527 organizations.

H (a) Is this a group return for affiliates? ☐ Yes ☒ No

H (b) If "Yes," enter number of affiliates ▶ ☐ Yes ☒ No

H (c) Are all affiliates included? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
(If "No," attach a list. See instructions.)

H (d) Is this a separate return filed by an organization covered by a group ruling? ☐ Yes ☒ No

I Group Exemption Number ☐ Yes ☒ No

M Check ☐ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF).

L Gross receipts: Add lines 6b, 8b, 9b, and 10b to line 12... ▶ 3,573,254.

## Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances (See the instructions.)

## 1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received:

a Contributions to donor advised funds.....	1a	
b Direct public support (not included on line 1a).....	1b	3,545,487.
c Indirect public support (not included on line 1a).....	1c	
d Government contributions (grants) (not included on line 1a).....	1d	
e Total (add lines 1a through 1d) (cash \$ 3,544,466. noncash \$ 1,021.).....	1e	3,545,487.

## 2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts (from Part VII, line 93).....

3 Membership dues and assessments.....	3	
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4 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments.....	4	12,492.
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5 Dividends and interest from securities.....	5	76.
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6a Gross rents.....	6a	
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b Less: rental expenses.....	6b	
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c Net rental income or (loss). Subtract line 6b from line 6a.....	6c	
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7 Other investment income (describe).....	7	
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8a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory.....	8a	
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b Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses.....	8b	
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c Gain or (loss) (attach schedule).....	8c	
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d Net gain or (loss). Combine line 8c, columns (A) and (B).....	8d	
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9 Special events and activities (attach schedule). If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/> of contributions reported on line 1b).....	9a	486.
b Less: direct expenses other than fundraising expenses.....	9b	
c Net income or (loss) from special events. Subtract line 9b from line 9a.....	9c	486.

10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances.....	10a	
b Less: cost of goods sold.....	10b	
c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (attach schedule). Subtract line 10b from line 10a.....	10c	

11 Other revenue (from Part VII, line 103).....	11	14,713.
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12 Total revenue. Add lines 1e, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6c, 7, 8d, 9c, 10c, and 11.....	12	3,573,254.
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13 Program services (from line 44, column (B)).....	13	2,734,231.
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14 Management and general (from line 44, column (C)).....	14	543,997.
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15 Fundraising (from line 44, column (D)).....	15	357,394.
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16 Payments to affiliates (attach schedule).....	16	
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17 Total expenses. Add lines 16 and 44, column (A).....	17	3,635,622.
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18 Excess or (deficit) for the year. Subtract line 17 from line 12.....	18	-62,368.
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19 Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 73, column (A)).....	19	1,895,769.
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20 Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)..... SEE STATEMENT 2.....	20	6,842.
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21 Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 18, 19, and 20.....	21	1,840,243.
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**Part II Statement of Functional Expenses** All organizations must complete column (A). Columns (B), (C), and (D) are required for section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts but optional for others. (See instructions.)

Do not include amounts reported on line 6b, 8b, 9b, 10b, or 16 of Part I.	(A) Total	(B) Program services	(C) Management and general	(D) Fundraising
<b>22 a</b> Grants paid from donor advised funds (attach sch)				
(cash \$ _____)				
non-cash \$ _____)				
If this amount includes foreign grants, check here.. <input type="checkbox"/> .....	<b>22 a</b>			
<b>22 b</b> Other grants and allocations (att sch)				
(cash \$ _____)				
non-cash \$ _____)	<b>22 b</b>			
If this amount includes foreign grants, check here.. <input type="checkbox"/> .....				
<b>23</b> Specific assistance to individuals (attach schedule).....	<b>23</b>			
<b>24</b> Benefits paid to or for members (attach schedule).....	<b>24</b>			
<b>25 a</b> Compensation of current officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-A.....	<b>25 a</b>			
<b>25 b</b> Compensation of former officers, directors, key employees, etc. listed in Part V-B.....	<b>25 b</b>			
<b>c</b> Compensation and other distributions, not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(c)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B).....	<b>25 c</b>			
<b>26</b> Salaries and wages of employees not included on lines 25a, b, and c.....	<b>26</b>			
<b>27</b> Pension plan contributions not included on lines 25a, b, and c.....	<b>27</b>			
<b>28</b> Employee benefits not included on lines 25a - 27.....	<b>28</b>			
<b>29</b> Payroll taxes.....	<b>29</b>			
<b>30</b> Professional fundraising fees.....	<b>30</b>			
<b>31</b> Accounting fees.....	<b>31</b>			
<b>32</b> Legal fees.....	<b>32</b>			
<b>33</b> Supplies.....	<b>33</b>			
<b>34</b> Telephone.....	<b>34</b>			
<b>35</b> Postage and shipping.....	<b>35</b>			
<b>36</b> Occupancy.....	<b>36</b>			
<b>37</b> Equipment rental and maintenance.....	<b>37</b>			
<b>38</b> Printing and publications.....	<b>38</b>			
<b>39</b> Travel.....	<b>39</b>			
<b>40</b> Conferences, conventions, and meetings.....	<b>40</b>			
<b>41</b> Interest.....	<b>41</b>			
<b>42</b> Depreciation, depletion, etc (attach schedule).....	<b>42</b>			
<b>43</b> Other expenses not covered above (itemize): a SEE STATEMENT 3	<b>43 a</b>			
b _____	<b>43 b</b>			
c _____	<b>43 c</b>			
d _____	<b>43 d</b>			
e _____	<b>43 e</b>			
f _____	<b>43 f</b>			
g _____	<b>43 g</b>			
<b>44</b> Total functional expenses. Add lines 22a through 43g. (Organizations completing columns (B) - (D), carry these totals to lines 13 - 15).....	<b>44</b>			

Joint Costs. Check ☐ if you are following SOP 98-2.

Are any joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation reported in (B) Program services? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
 If 'Yes,' enter (i) the aggregate amount of these joint costs \$ \_\_\_\_\_; (ii) the amount allocated to Program services \$ \_\_\_\_\_; and (iv) the amount allocated to Fundraising \$ \_\_\_\_\_; (iii) the amount allocated to Management and general \$ \_\_\_\_\_; and (v) the amount allocated



**Part V Balance Sheets** (See the instructions.)

Note: Where required, attached schedules and amounts within the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only.

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
45 Cash — non-interest-bearing.....		45
46 Savings and temporary cash investments.....	1,429,432.	46 1,440,898.
47a Accounts receivable.....		47c
b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts.....		
48a Pledges receivable.....		
48a b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts.....	200,376.	48c 58,832.
49 Grants receivable.....	250,000.	49 799,999.
50 a Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule).....		50a
b Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) (attach schedule).....		50b
51 a Other notes and loans receivable.....		51a
b Less: allowance for doubtful accounts.....		51b
52 Inventories for sale or use.....		52
53 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges.....	22,356.	53 35,693.
54a Investments — publicly-traded securities.....	17,066.	54a 24,929.
b Investments — other securities (attach sch).....		54b
55a Investments — land, buildings, & equipment: basis.....		
b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule).....		55c
56 Investments — other (attach schedule).....		56
57a Land, buildings, and equipment: basis.....		
b Less: accumulated depreciation (attach schedule).....	20,513.	57c 44,481.
58 Other assets, including program-related investments (describe ▶ SEE STATEMENT 8.....)	23,234.	58 7,106.
59 Total assets (must equal line 74). Add lines 45 through 58.....	1,962,977.	59 2,411,938.
60 Accounts payable and accrued expenses.....	47,999.	60 121,695.
61 Grants payable.....		61
62 Deferred revenue.....		62
63 Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and key employees (attach schedule).....		63 450,000.
64a Tax-exempt bond liabilities (attach schedule).....		64a
b Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule).....		64b
65 Other liabilities (describe ▶.....)	19,209.	65
66 Total liabilities. Add lines 60 through 65.....	67,208.	66 571,695.
Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 67 through 69 and lines 73 and 74.		
67 Unrestricted.....	972,023.	67 86,541.
68 Temporarily restricted.....	923,746.	68 1,753,702.
69 Permanently restricted.....		69
Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 70 through 74.		
70 Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds.....		70
71 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, and equipment fund.....		71
72 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds.....		72
73 Total net assets or fund balances. Add lines 67 through 69 or lines 70 through 72. (Column (A) must equal line 19 and column (B) must equal line 21).....	1,895,769.	73 1,840,243.
74 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances. Add lines 66 and 73.....	1,962,977.	74 2,411,938.

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**Part IV-A Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements with Revenue per Return (See the instructions.)**

<b>a</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements.....	<b>a</b>	3,655,351.
<b>b</b>	Amounts included on line <b>a</b> but not on Part I, line 12:		
1	Net unrealized gains on investments.....	b1	6,842.
2	Donated services and use of facilities.....	b2	75,255.
3	Recoveries of prior year grants.....	b3	
4	Other (specify): .....	b4	
	Add lines <b>b1</b> through <b>b4</b> .....	<b>b</b>	82,097.
<b>c</b>	Subtract line <b>b</b> from line <b>a</b> .....	<b>c</b>	3,573,254.
<b>d</b>	Amounts included on Part I, line 12, but not on line <b>a</b> :		
1	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b.....	d1	
2	Other (specify): .....	d2	
	Add lines <b>d1</b> and <b>d2</b> .....	<b>d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Total revenue (Part I, line 12), Add lines <b>c</b> and <b>d</b> .....	<b>e</b>	3,573,254.

<b>a</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements.....		<b>a</b>	3,710,877.
<b>b</b>	Amounts included on line <b>a</b> but not on Part I, line 17:			
<b>1</b>	Donated services and use of facilities.....	<b>b1</b>		
<b>2</b>	Prior year adjustments reported on Part I, line 20.....	<b>b2</b>		75,255.
<b>3</b>	Losses reported on Part I, line 20.....	<b>b3</b>		
<b>4</b>	Other (specify): .....	<b>b4</b>		
	Add lines <b>b1</b> through <b>b4</b> .....		<b>b</b>	75,255.
<b>c</b>	Subtract line <b>b</b> from line <b>a</b> .....		<b>c</b>	3,635,622.
<b>d</b>	Amounts included on Part I, line 17, but not on line <b>a</b> :			
<b>1</b>	Investment expenses not included on Part I, line 6b.....	<b>d1</b>		
<b>2</b>	Other (specify): .....	<b>d2</b>		
	Add lines <b>d1</b> and <b>d2</b> .....		<b>d</b>	
<b>e</b>	Total expenses (Part I, line 17), Add lines <b>c</b> and <b>d</b> .....		<b>e</b>	3,635,622.

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**Part VI Other Information (continued)**

**82 a** Did the organization receive donated services or the use of materials, equipment, or facilities at no charge or at substantially less than fair rental value? 82 a X

**b** If 'Yes,' you may indicate the value of these items here. Do not include this amount as revenue in Part I or as an expense in Part II. (See instructions in Part III.) 82 b 75,255.

**83 a** Did the organization comply with the public inspection requirements for returns and exemption applications? 83 a X

**b** Did the organization comply with the disclosure requirements relating to *quid pro quo* contributions? 83 b X

**84 a** Did the organization solicit any contributions or gifts that were not tax deductible? 84 a X

**b** If 'Yes,' did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible? 84 b N/A

**85 a** 501(c)(4), (5), or (6). Were substantially all dues nondeductible by members? 85 a N/A

**b** Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? 85 b N/A

If 'Yes,' was answered to either 85a or 85b, **do not** complete 85c through 85h unless the organization received a waiver for proxy tax owed for the prior year.

**c** Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members. 85 c N/A

**d** Section 162(e) lobbying and political expenditures. 85 d N/A

**e** Aggregate nondeductible amount of section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices. 85 e N/A

**f** Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 85d less 85e). 85 f N/A

**g** Does the organization elect to pay the section 6033(e) tax on the amount on line 85f? 85 g N/A

**h** If section 6033(e)(1)(A) dues notices were sent, does the organization agree to add the amount on line 85f to its reasonable estimate of dues allocable to nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures for the following tax year? 85 h N/A

**86** 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter: **a** Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 12. 86 a N/A

**b** Gross receipts, included on line 12, for public use of club facilities. 86 b N/A

**87** 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter: **a** Gross income from members or shareholders. 87 a N/A

**b** Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.) 87 b N/A

**88 a** At any time during the year, did the organization own a 50% or greater interest in a taxable corporation or partnership, or an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? 88 a X

If 'Yes,' complete Part IX.

**b** At any time during the year, did the organization, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' complete Part XI. 88 b X

**89 a** 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under: 89 a 0.

section 4911 0.; section 4912 0.; section 4955 0.

**b** 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If 'Yes,' attach a statement explaining each transaction. 89 b X

**c** Enter: Amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958. 89 c 0.

**d** Enter: Amount of tax on line 89c, above, reimbursed by the organization. 89 d 0.

**e** All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? 89 e X

**f** All organizations. Did the organization acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract? 89 f X

**g** For supporting organizations and sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year? 89 g X

**90 a** List the states with which a copy of this return is filed 90 a CA

**b** Number of employees employed in the pay period that includes March 12, 2007 90 b 12

(See instructions.)

**91 a** The books are in care of **THE ORGANIZATION** Telephone number **(415) 369-8480**

located at **171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO CA** ZIP + 4 **94105**

**b** At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? 91 b X

If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country. **GERMANY**

See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for **Form TD F 90-22.1**, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.

**Part VI Other Information** (continued)c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the United States? 91 cYes ☐ No ☐If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country. 91 c BERLIN, GERMANY92 Section 4947(e)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here 92 N/A N/A**Part VII Analysis of Income-Producing Activities** (See the instructions.)

Note: Enter gross amounts unless otherwise indicated.

93 Program service revenue:

a

b

c

d

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f Medicare/Medicaid payments.

g Fees &amp; contracts from government agencies.

94 Membership dues and assessments.

95 Interest on savings &amp; temporary cash investments.

96 Dividends &amp; interest from securities.

97 Net rental income or (loss) from real estate:

a debt-financed property.

b not debt-financed property.

98 Net rental income or (loss) from pers prop.

99 Other investment income.

100 Gain or (loss) from sales of assets other than inventory.

101 Net income or (loss) from special events.

102 Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory.

103 Other revenue: a

b EURO TO DOLLARS GAIN

c

d

e

104 Subtotal (add columns (B), (D), and (E)).

105 Total (add line 104, columns (B), (D), and (E)).

Note: Line 105 plus line 1e, Part I, should equal the amount on line 12, Part I.

**Part VIII Relationship of Activities to the Accomplishment of Exempt Purposes** (See the instructions.)

Line No. Explain how each activity for which income is reported in column (E) of Part VII contributed importantly to the accomplishment of the organization's exempt purposes (other than by providing funds for such purposes).

N/A

**Part IX Information Regarding Taxable Subsidiaries and Disregarded Entities** (See the instructions.)

(A)

(B)

(C)

(D)

(E)

Name, address, and EIN of corporation, partnership, or disregarded entity

Percentage of ownership interest

Nature of activities

Total income

End-of-year assets

N/A

%

%

%

**Part X Information Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts** (See the instructions.)a Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract? Yes ☐ No ☒b Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract? Yes ☒ No ☐

Note: If 'Yes' to (b), file Form 8870 and Form 4720 (see instructions).

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**Part XI** Information Regarding Transfers To and From Controlled Entities. Complete only if the organization is a controlling organization as defined in section 512(b)(13).

106 Did the reporting organization make any transfers to a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If 'Yes,' complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.				Yes	No
(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer		
a					
b					
c					
<b>Totals</b>					

  

107 Did the reporting organization receive any transfers from a controlled entity as defined in section 512(b)(13) of the Code? If 'Yes,' complete the schedule below for each controlled entity.				Yes	No
(A) Name, address, of each controlled entity	(B) Employer Identification Number	(C) Description of transfer	(D) Amount of transfer		
a					
b					
c					
<b>Totals</b>					

108 Did the organization have a binding written contract in effect on August 17, 2006, covering the interest, rents, royalties, and annuities described in question 107 above? Yes ☐ No ☒

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Please Sign Here Date 4/15/08

Signature of officer KEVIN BILGICHAL Signature of preparer [Signature]

Type or print name and title. CEO

Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature	BRUCE J. WRIGHT <u>[Signature]</u>	Date	<u>4/11/08</u>	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's SSN or PTIN (See General instruction X)	<u>N/A</u>
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and Zip + 4	GOOD & FOWLER, LLP 262 GRAND AVENUE SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94080			EIN <u>N/A</u>	Phone no. <u>(650) 872-7600</u>	

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**SCHEDULE A**  
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

**Organization Exempt Under  
Section 501(c)(3)**

OMB No. 1545-0047

(Except Private Foundation) and Section 501(e), 501(f), 501(k),  
501(n), or 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust  
Supplementary Information — (See separate instructions.)

**2007**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **MUST be completed by the above organizations and attached to their Form 990 or 990-EZ.**

Name of the organization

**CREATIVE COMMONS CORPORATION**

Employer identification number  
**04-3585301**

**Part I Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Employees Other Than Officers, Directors, and Trustees**  
(See instructions. List each one. If there are none, enter 'None'.)

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
SEE STATEMENT 11		464,791.	47,348.	0.
Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000	▶	0		

**Part II A Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Professional Services**  
(See instructions. List each one (whether individuals or firms). If there are none, enter 'None'.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
KEVIN BIRCHNELL 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	CFO	98,725.
DIANE CABELL SOUTH ST PORTSMOUTH, NH 03801	LEGAL	61,700.
Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services	▶	0

**Part II B Compensation of the Five Highest Paid Independent Contractors for Other Services**  
(List each contractor who performed services other than professional services, whether individuals or firms. If there are none, enter 'None.' See instructions.)

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
VICTOR STONE FOREST LANE BERKELEY, CA 94708	SOFTWARE DEVELOPER	52,800.
Total number of other contractors receiving over \$50,000 for other services	▶	0

**BAA For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 990 and Form 990-EZ.**

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2007

**Part III** **Statements About Activities** (See instructions.)

- 1 During the year, has the organization attempted to influence national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum? If 'Yes,' enter the total expenses paid or incurred in connection with the lobbying activities. . . . ▶ \$ N/A
- (Must equal amounts on line 38, Part VI-A, or line i of Part VI-B.)

Organizations that made an election under section 501 (n) by filing Form 5768 must complete Part VI-A. Other organizations checking 'Yes' must complete Part VI-B AND attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.

- 2 During the year, has the organization, either directly or indirectly, engaged in any of the following acts with any substantial contributors, trustees, directors, officers, key employees, or members of their families, or with any taxable organization with which any such person is affiliated as an officer, director, trustee, majority owner, or principal beneficiary? (If the answer to any question is 'Yes,' attach a detailed statement explaining the transactions.)

## SEE STATEMENT 12

a Sale, exchange, or leasing of property? . . . . .

2a ☐ ☒ X

b Lending of money or other extension of credit? . . . . .

2b ☒ X

c Furnishing of goods, services, or facilities? . . . . .

## SEE FORM 990, PART V

2c ☐ X

d Payment of compensation (or payment or reimbursement of expenses if more than \$1,000)? . . . . .

2d ☒ X

e Transfer of any part of its income or assets? . . . . .

2e ☐ X

- 3a Did the organization make grants for scholarships, fellowships, student loans, etc? (If 'Yes,' attach an explanation of how the organization determines that recipients qualify to receive payments.) . . . . .

3a ☐ X

b Did the organization have a section 403(b) annuity plan for its employees? . . . . .

3b ☒ X

c Did the organization receive or hold an easement for conservation purposes, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed statement. . . . .

3c ☐ X

d Did the organization provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? . . . . .

3d ☐ X

4a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' complete lines 4b through 4g. If 'No,' complete lines 4f and 4g. . . . .

4a ☐ X

b Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966? . . . . .

4b ☐ N/A

c Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person? . . . . .

4c ☐ N/A

d Enter the total number of donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year. . . . . ▶

N/A

e Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all donor advised funds owned at the end of the tax year. . . . . ▶

N/A

f Enter the total number of separate funds or accounts owned at the end of the tax year (excluding donor advised funds included on line 4d) where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts. . . . . ▶

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g Enter the aggregate value of assets held in all funds or accounts included on line 4f at the end of the tax year. . . . . ▶

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Part IV	Reason for Non-Private Foundation Status (See instructions.)

I certify that the organization is not a private foundation because it is: (Please check only **ONE** applicable box.)

- 5 ☐ A church, convention of churches, or association of churches. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
- 6 ☐ A school. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)
- 7 ☐ A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).
- 8 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).
- 9 ☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: \_\_\_\_\_
- 10 ☐ An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

6 ☐ A school Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Also complete Part V.)

☐ 7 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).

8 ☐ A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).

☐ A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state ➤

☐ 10 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

**11 a** ☒ **X** An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public.  
Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

**11b** ☐ A community trust. Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

**12** ☐ An organization that normally receives: (1) **more than 33-1/3%** of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its charitable, etc., functions – subject to certain exceptions, and (2) **no more than 33-1/3%** of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Also complete the **Support Schedule** in Part IV-A.)

☐ An organization that is not controlled by any disqualified persons (other than foundation managers) and otherwise meets the requirements of section 509(a)(3). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization: 

☐ Type I      ☐ Type II      ☐ Type III-Functionally Integrated      ☐ Type III-Other

**Provide the following information about the supported organizations. (See instructions.)**

(a) Name(s) of supported organization(s)	(b) Employer identification number (EIN)	(c) Type of organization (described in lines 5 through 12 above or IRC section)	(d) Is the supported organization listed in the supporting organization's governing documents?		(e) Amount of support
			Yes	No	
Total					0.

14	<input type="checkbox"/>	An organization organized and operated to test for public safety. Section 509(a)(4). (See instructions.)
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**Part IV-A Support Schedule** (Complete only if you checked a box on line 10, 11, or 12.) *Use cash method of accounting.***Note:** You may use the worksheet in the instructions for converting from the accrual to the cash method of accounting.

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) .....	(a) 2006	(b) 2005	(c) 2004	(d) 2003	(e) Total
<b>15</b> Gifts, grants, and contributions received. (Do not include unusual grants. See line 28.)...	2,856,215.	1,754,471.	1,206,174.	901,680.	6,718,540.
<b>16</b> Membership fees received .....					0.
<b>17</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or furnishing of facilities in any activity that is related to the organization's charitable, etc. purpose.....		4,053.	58,873.		62,926.
<b>18</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, annuities, royalties, and other income (less sec. 512(a)(5)), rents, royalties, income from similar sources, and unrelated business taxable income (less sec. 511 taxes) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975...	6,960.	14,530.	7,378.	8,713.	37,581.
<b>19</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 18.....					0.
<b>20</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf.....					0.
<b>21</b> The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge.....					0.
<b>22</b> Other income. Attach a schedule. Do not include gain or (loss) from sale of capital assets.....					0.
<b>23</b> Total of lines 15 through 22.....	2,863,175.	1,773,054.	1,272,425.	910,393.	6,819,047.
<b>24</b> Line 23 minus line 17.....	2,863,175.	1,769,001.	1,213,552.	910,393.	6,756,121.
<b>25</b> Enter 1% of line 23.....	28,632.	17,731.	12,724.	9,104.	
<b>26 Organizations described on lines 10 or 11:</b> a Enter 2% of amount in column (e), line 24.....					135,122.
b Prepare a list for your records to show the name of and amount contributed by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) whose total gifts for 2003 through 2006 exceeded the amount shown in line 26a. Do not file this list with your return. Enter the total of all these excess amounts.....					26b 5,054,268.
c Total support for section 509(a)(1) test: Enter line 24, column (e).....					26c 6,756,121.
d Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines: 18 37,581. 19 5,054,268.					26d 5,091,849.
e Public support (line 26c minus line 26d total).....					26e 1,664,272.
f Public support percentage (line 26e (numerator) divided by line 26c (denominator)).....					26f 24.63 %

**27 Organizations described on line 12: N/A**

a For amounts included in lines 15, 16, and 17 that were received from a 'disqualified person,' prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and total amounts received in each year from, each 'disqualified person.' Do not file this list with your return. Enter the sum of such amounts for each year:

(2006)	(2005)	(2004)	(2003)
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines:	15	16	
17	20	21	
d Add: Line 27a total		and line 27b total	
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total).....			27c
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount from line 23, column (e).....		27f	27d
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator)).....			27g
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator)).....			27h

b For any amount included in line 17 that was received from each person (other than 'disqualified persons'), prepare a list for your records to show the name of, and amount received for each year, that was more than the larger of (1) the amount on line 25 for the year or (2) \$5,000. (Include in the list organizations described in lines 5 through 11b, as well as individuals.) Do not file this list with your return. After computing the difference between the amount received and the larger amount described in (1) or (2), enter the sum of these differences (the excess amounts) for each year:

(2006)	(2005)	(2004)	(2003)
c Add: Amounts from column (e) for lines:	15	16	
17	20	21	
d Add: Line 27a total		and line 27b total	
e Public support (line 27c total minus line 27d total).....			27c
f Total support for section 509(a)(2) test: Enter amount from line 23, column (e).....		27f	27d
g Public support percentage (line 27e (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator)).....			27g
h Investment income percentage (line 18, column (e) (numerator) divided by line 27f (denominator)).....			27h

**28 Unusual Grants:** For an organization described in line 10, 11, or 12 that received any unusual grants during 2003 through 2006, prepare a list for your records to show, for each year, the name of the contributor, the date and amount of the grant, and a brief description of the nature of the grant. Do not file this list with your return. Do not include these grants in line 15.

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**Part VI-A Lobbying Expenditures by Electing Public Charities** (See instructions.)  
(To be completed **ONLY** by an eligible organization that filed Form 5768)

N/A

Check ☐ **a** ☐ if the organization belongs to an affiliated group. Check ☐ **b** ☐ if you checked 'a' and 'limited control' provisions apply.**Limits on Lobbying Expenditures**

(The term 'expenditures' means amounts paid or incurred.)

	(a) Affiliated group totals	(b) To be completed for all electing organizations
36 Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (Grassroots lobbying).....	36	
37 Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying).....	37	
38 Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 36 and 37).....	38	
39 Other exempt purpose expenditures.....	39	
40 Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 38 and 39).....	40	
41 Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table —		
<b>If the amount on line 40 is —</b>		
Not over \$500,000.....	20% of the amount on line 40.....	
Over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000.....	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.....	
Over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000.....	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.....	41
Over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000.....	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.....	
Over \$17,000,000.....	\$1,000,000.....	
42 Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 41).....	42	
43 Subtract line 42 from line 36. Enter -0- if line 42 is more than line 36.....	43	
44 Subtract line 41 from line 38. Enter -0- if line 41 is more than line 38.....	44	

**Caution:** If there is an amount on either line 43 or line 44, you must file Form 4720.**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below.  
See the instructions for lines 45 through 50.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4 -Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2007	(b) 2006	(c) 2005	(d) 2004	(e) Total
45 Lobbying nontaxable amount.....					
46 Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 45(e)).....					
47 Total lobbying expenditures.....					
48 Grassroots non- taxable amount.....					
49 Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 48(e)).....					
50 Grassroots lobbying expenditures.....					

**Part VI-B Lobbying Activity by Nonelecting Public Charities**

(For reporting only by organizations that did not complete Part VI-A) (See instructions.)

N/A

During the year, did the organization attempt to influence national, state or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:

- a Volunteers.....
- b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through h.).....
- c Media advertisements.....
- d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public.....
- e Publications, or published or broadcast statements.....
- f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes.....
- g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body.....
- h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means.....
- i Total lobbying expenditures (add lines c through h.).....

If 'Yes' to any of the above, also attach a statement giving a detailed description of the lobbying activities.

Yes	No	Amount

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**Part VII** Information Regarding Transfers To and Transactions and Relationships With Noncharitable Exempt Organizations (See instructions)

**51** Did the reporting organization directly or indirectly engage in any of the following with any other organization described in section 501 (c) of the Code (other than section 501 (c)(3) organizations) or in section 527, relating to political organizations?

**a** Transfers from the reporting organization to a noncharitable exempt organization of:

(i) Cash .....

(ii) Other assets

**b Other transactions:**

(i) Sales or exchanges of assets with a noncharitable exempt organization.

(ii) Purchases of assets from a noncharitable exempt organization

(iii) Rental of facilities, equipment, or other assets.

(iv) Reimbursement arrangements.

(v) Loans or loan guarantees

(vi) Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations

Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees

	c
c Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, other assets, or paid employees	
d If the answer to any of the above is 'Yes,' complete the following schedule. Column (b) should always show the fair market value of the goods, other assets, or services given by the reporting organization. If the organization received less than fair market value in any transaction or sharing arrangement, show in column (d) the value of the goods, other assets, or services received:	

	Yes	No
51a (i)	X	
a (ii)		X
b (i)		X
b (ii)		X
b (iii)		X
b (iv)		X
b (v)		X
b (vi)		X
c		X

[illegible]

**52a** Is the organization directly or indirectly affiliated with, or related to, one or more tax-exempt organizations described in section 501(c) of the Code (other than section 501(c)(3)) or in section 527? .....

**b** If 'Yes,' complete the following schedule:

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**STATEMENT 1**  
**FORM 990, PART I, LINE 9**  
**NET INCOME (LOSS) FROM SPECIAL EVENTS**

SPECIAL EVENTS	GROSS RECEIPTS	LESS CONTRIBUTIONS	GROSS REVENUE	LESS DIRECT EXPENSES	NET INCOME (LOSS)
OTHER SALES/EVENTS					
TOTAL	\$ 486.486.	\$ 0.0.	\$ 486.486.	\$ 0.0.	\$ 486.486.

**STATEMENT 2**  
**FORM 990, PART I, LINE 20**  
**OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES**

UNREALIZED GAIN ON INVESTMENTS.....\$ 6,842.  
 TOTAL \$ 6,842.

**STATEMENT 3**  
**FORM 990, PART II, LINE 43**  
**OTHER EXPENSES**

	(A) TOTAL	(B) PROGRAM SERVICES	(C) MANAGEMENT & GENERAL	(D) FUNDRAISING
BANK CHARGES	15,835.	504.	15,331.	
BOARD CULTIVATION AND MEETINGS	8,804.		8,804.	
CONTRACTOR FEES	488,689.	298,157.	177,514.	13,018.
INSURANCE	43,037.		43,037.	
INTERNS	270.	270.		
LICENSES AND FEES	530.		530.	
MEMBERSHIP AND DUES	19,059.	12,100.	6,959.	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	258,810.	241,248.	16,900.	662.
PUBLICITY & COMMUNICATIONS	55,002.	52,728.	801.	1,473.
RECRUITING	3,644.	2,731.	411.	502.
TECHNOLOGY	113,695.	106,475.	1,848.	5,372.
TRAINING	70.		70.	
TRAVEL AND CONFERENCES	819,317.	738,076.	10,447.	70,794.
TOTAL	\$ 1,826,762.	\$ 1,452,289.	\$ 282,652.	\$ 91,821.

**STATEMENT 4**  
**FORM 990, PART III**  
**ORGANIZATION'S PRIMARY EXEMPT PURPOSE**

CHARITABLE AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE IRC...INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, DESIGNING METHODS AND TECHNOLOGIES THAT FACILITATE SHARING OF SCIENTIFIC, CREATIVE, AND OTHER INTELLECTUAL WORKS WITH THE GENERAL PUBLIC."

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STATEMENT 5  
FORM 990, PART III, LINE A  
STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

DESCRIPTION	GRANTS AND ALLOCATIONS	PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES
STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN 2007		
VERSION 3.0 OF THE CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSES WAS RELEASED INTRODUCING THE UNITED STATES AS JUST ANOTHER JURISDICTION AND INCLUDING A COMPATIBILITY CLAUSE TO FACILITATE INTEROPERABILITY BETWEEN ATTRIBUTION-SHAREALIKE AND OTHER FREE CONTENT LICENSES.		

ADOPTION AND COVERAGE OF CREATIVE COMMONS HAS STEADILY BUT INCREMENTALLY INCREASED ACROSS MANY COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES. SEVERAL TOOLS AND EXTENSIONS WERE RELEASED THIS YEAR THAT ENABLED EASIER INTEGRATION OF CC'S LICENSES WITH THIRD-PARTY APPLICATIONS, INCLUDING OPENOFFICE, SCRIBD, SLIDESHARE AND SWIVEL. "A STORY OF HEALING" WAS RELEASED UNDER A CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSE, THE FIRST ACADEMY AWARD-WINNING FILM TO BE SO LICENSED.

OPENLIBRARY.ORG WAS LAUNCHED, CULMINATING A MULTI-YEAR PDWIKI INITIATIVE INVOLVING A COMPLEX COLLABORATION WITH ACCESS COPYRIGHT (CANADA), CREATIVE COMMONS CANADA, WIKIMEDIA FOUNDATION AND ARCHIVE.ORG.

THE SCIENCE COMMON DIVISION RELEASED THE SCHOLAR'S COPYRIGHT ADDENDUM ENGINE (SCAE) THAT ENABLES THE "SELF-ARCHIVING" OF PAPERS BY THE AUTHORS INTO DIGITAL REPOSITORIES. IT IS RUNNING ON THE WEBSITES OF MIT, CARNEGIE-MELLON, AND THE ASSOCIATION OF RESEARCH LIBRARIES IN ADDITION TO SCIENCE COMMONS. SINCE ITS LAUNCH IN MID-MAY IT HAS BEEN USED TO GENERATE MORE THAN 550 ADDENDA. THE PROJECT ALSO PROMOTES THE USE OF CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSES BY PEER-REVIEWED SCHOLARLY JOURNALS. THERE ARE NOW MORE THAN 350 PEER-REVIEWED ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS USING CC-BY INCLUDING NATURE PRECEDINGS, A "PRE-PRINT" SERVER RUN BY NATURE PUBLISHING GROUP, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE WELLCOME TRUST, THE BRITISH LIBRARY AND SCIENCE COMMONS.

SCIENCE COMMONS HOSTED A WORKSHOP IN PARIS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC DATA AND TECHNOLOGY (CODATA) AND THE GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY INFORMATION FACILITY (GBIF) RESULTING IN THE RELEASE OF A PROTOCOL ON DATABASE LICENSING THAT ESTABLISHES THE KEY ELEMENTS OF "OPEN ACCESS DATA."

AN INITIAL PROTOTYPE OF THE MATERIALS TRANSFER PROJECT SYSTEM WAS LAUNCHED IN OCTOBER TO ENABLE QUICKER ACCESS TO BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH MATERIALS. THE MTA SUITE IS AVAILABLE AS AN IFRAME AND RUNS AT BOTH IBRIDGE AND SCIENCE COMMONS. APPROXIMATELY 6,000 RESEARCH MATERIALS ARE MARKED WITH THE METADATA AT THIS WRITING.

THE NEUROCOMMONS PROJECT HAS DEVELOPED A KNOWLEDGE BASE DERIVED FROM TEN LARGE, PUBLIC DATABASES MAPPED INTO A COMMON, OPEN LANGUAGE AND CONTAINS THE OUTPUTS OF OUR YEAR-LONG TEXT-MINING EFFORT ON THE OPEN ACCESS LITERATURE AS WELL AS THE DIGITAL DESCRIPTIONS OF RESEARCH MATERIALS



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STATEMENT 5 (CONTINUED)  
FORM 990, PART II, LINE A  
STATEMENT OF PROGRAM SERVICE ACCOMPLISHMENTS

DESCRIPTION	GRANTS AND ALLOCATIONS	PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES
AVAILABLE THROUGH THE MTA PROJECT, SHOWING THE VALUE OF USING OUR METHODS ON PHYSICAL TOOLS AS WELL.		
CREATIVE COMMONS LICENSES HAVE NOW BEEN PORTED TO OVER 44 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES, AN INCREASE OF 8 FROM 2006. SIXTEEN MORE JURISDICTIONS ARE IN PROCESS.		
CREATIVE COMMONS HAS JOINED THE COMMUNIA NETWORK AS A MEMBER AND ACTIVE PARTICIPANT FOR THE NEXT THREE YEARS, PROVIDING SUPPORT AND COMMENTARY AT VARIOUS COMMUNIA CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS WITHIN EUROPE.		
CCLEARN, THE EDUCATIONAL DIVISION OF CREATIVE COMMONS, WAS OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED IN AUGUST OF 2007 AND WILL FOCUS INITIALLY ON RESOLVING CURRENT AND PROJECTED INTEROPERABILITY PROBLEMS FOR OPEN EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES (OE).		
ICOMMONS LTD., A UK SUBSIDIARY CHARTERED IN 2005 TO PROMOTE ADOPTION OF OPEN SHARING PRACTICES IN SOUTHERN NATIONS, SECURED SUFFICIENT INDEPENDENT FUNDING TO BE SPUN OFF AS AN INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATION. THE TWO ORGANIZATIONS JOINTLY HOSTED THE ANNUAL ISUMMIT CONFERENCE WHICH THIS YEAR DREW MORE THAN 300 ATTENDEES TO DUBROVNIK, CROATIA TO DISCUSS OPEN SHARING TOOLS AND PRACTICES.		
INCLUDES FOREIGN GRANTS: NO		
	\$ 0. \$2,734,231.	

2,734,231.

STATEMENT 6  
FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 54A  
INVESTMENTS - PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES

OTHER PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES INVESTMENTS	VALUATION METHOD	AMOUNT
	MARKET VALUE	\$ 24,929.
	TOTAL	\$ 24,929.
	PUBLICLY TRADED SECURITIES	\$ 24,929.

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**STATEMENT 7**  
**FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 57**  
**LAND, BUILDINGS, AND EQUIPMENT**

CATEGORY	BASIS	ACCUM. DEPREC.	BOOK VALUE
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	\$ 34,260.	\$ 8,347.	\$ 25,913.
MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT	71,993.	53,425.	18,568.
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 106,253.</b>	<b>\$ 61,772.</b>	<b>\$ 44,481.</b>

**STATEMENT 8**  
**FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 58**  
**OTHER ASSETS**

SECURITY DEPOSIT ..... \$ 7,106.  
**TOTAL** \$ 7,106.

**STATEMENT 9**  
**FORM 990, PART IV, LINE 63**  
**LOANS FROM OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES**

LENDER'S NAME: JOICHI ITO  
LENDER'S TITLE: CEO  
DATE OF NOTE: 8/05/2007  
MATURITY DATE: 1/31/2008  
INTEREST RATE: 7.00%  
PURPOSE OF LOAN: GENERAL EXPENSES  
ORIGINAL AMOUNT: 500,000.  
BALANCE DUE: 450,000.  
**TOTAL** \$ 450,000.

**STATEMENT 10**  
**FORM 990, PART V-A**  
**LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES**

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED	COMPEN- SATION	CONTRI- BUTION TO EBP & DC	EXPENSE ACCOUNT/ OTHER
LAWRENCE LESSIG 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	CHAIRMAN/PRESID 40.00	0. \$	0. \$	0.
JAMES BOYLE 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	CHAIRMAN 2.00	0.	0.	0.

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STATEMENT 10 (CONTINUED)  
 FORM 990, PART V-A  
 LIST OF OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, TRUSTEES, AND KEY EMPLOYEES

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE AND AVERAGE HOURS PER WEEK DEVOTED	COMPEN- SATION	CONTRI- BUTION TO EBP & DC	EXPENSE ACCOUNT/ OTHER
MICHAEL CARROLL 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.
ERIC SALTZMAN 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
NATALIE WALROND 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	CFO/TREASURER 17.00	9,350.	0.	0.
HAL ABELSON 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
DIANE CABELL 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	SEC./ASST. TRES 30.00	61,700.	0.	0.
MOLLY SHAFFER VAN HOUWELING 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
KEVIN BIRCHNELL 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	CFO 17.00	98,725.	0.	0.
JOICHI ITO 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	CEO 2.00	0.	0.	0.
DAVIS GUGGENHEIM 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
JIMMY WALES 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
LAURIE RACINE 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.	0.	0.
TOTAL		\$ 169,775.	\$ 0.	\$ 0.

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STATEMENT 11  
 SCHEDULE A, PART 1  
 COMPENSATION OF FIVE HIGHEST PAID EMPLOYEES

NAME AND ADDRESS	TITLE & AVERAGE HOURS WORKED	COMPEN- SATION	CONTRIBUT. EBP & DC	EXPENSE ACCOUNT
JOHN T WILBANKS 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	EXEC DIRECTOR 40.00	93,542.	9,835.	0.
MIKE LINKSVAYER 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	VICE PRESIDENT 40.00	92,083.	9,793.	0.
ALAN RUTTENBERG 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	PRIN.SCIENTIST 40.00	115,833.	9,258.	0.
THINH NGUYEN 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	SC COUNSEL 40.00	83,333.	9,293.	0.
ERIC STEUER 171 SECOND STREET, SUITE 300 SAN FRANCISCO, 94105 94105	CREATIVE DIRECT 40.00	80,000.	9,169.	0.
TOTAL		\$ 464,791.	\$ 47,348.	\$ 0.

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 TRANSACTIONS WITH TRUSTEES, DIRECTORS, ETC.

2B. SEE FORM 990, PART IV LINE 63  
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PART IV SECTION 11(A)  
CREATIVE COMMONS MEETS THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER THE 509 (A) (1) PUBLIC  
SUPPORT TEST BECAUSE

CREATIVE COMMONS QUALIFIES AS A PUBLICLY SUPPORTED ORGANIZATION. IT NORMALLY  
RECEIVES A SUBSTANTIAL PART (24.6%) OF ITS TOTAL SUPPORT THROUGH DIRECT AND INDIRECT  
CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC. IT IS ORGANIZED AND OPERATED IN A MANNER TO  
ATTRACT NEW AND ADDITIONAL PUBLIC AND GOVERNMENTAL SUPPORT ON A CONTINUOUS BASIS BY  
VIRTUE OF (A) ITS CONTINUOUS AND BONA FIDE PROGRAMS THAT SOLICIT FUNDS FROM THE  
PUBLIC VIA ITS WEBSITE, (B) MULTIPLE PHYSICAL FUNDRAISING EVENTS, AND C) FUNDING  
PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO VARIOUS GOVERNMENTAL AGENCIES. THE ORGANIZATION'S GOVERNING  
BODY REPRESENTS BROAD PUBLIC INTERESTS AS IT CONSISTS OF DIRECTORS WHO ARE COMMUNITY  
LEADERS AND WHO HAVE SPECIAL EXPERTISE IN THE FIELD IN WHICH THE CHARITY OPERATES.  
FINALLY, ALL OF CREATIVE COMMONS SERVICES ARE PROVIDED DIRECTLY TO THE PUBLIC FOR  
FREE DOWNLOAD VIA THE INTERNET.



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OTHER INFORMATION  
VALUE OF ABOVE ITEMS (OPTIONAL) (82B)

COOLEY GODWARD (LEGAL SERVICES).....	\$	27,596.
WILSON SONSINI GOODRICH & ROSATI (LEGAL SERVICES) .....		4,500.
WILMERHALE (LEGAL SERVICES).....		43,159.
TOTAL	\$	<u>75,255.</u>